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SENATOR SNOWE WELCOMES DUBÉ TO MAINE

Augusta, ME -- Senator Olympia J. Snowe (R-Maine), Ranking Member of the Senate Committee on Small Business and Entrepreneurship, welcomes Maurice (Moe) Dubé home to Maine, where he will serve as the District Director of the U.S. Small Business Administration (SBA).

"It has been a privilege to work with Moe in his previous capacities with the Maine SBA," Senator Snowe said. "His energy and determination to deliver the most efficient and effective services possible to Maine's small business community will help Maine's entrepreneurs achieve their dreams of owning their own successful business. I look forward to continuing to collaborate with Moe as he moves the SBA's agenda forward."

Dubé has worked for the SBA in various positions since transferring to the agency in 1987. He began his SBA career as a liquidation loan officer in the SBA's Maine District Office before moving to the business development division, where he was promoted to Assistant District Director for business development and later, to Deputy District Director.

Dubé's last assignment before relocating to Maine was as District Director of the SBA's Massachusetts District Office. Dubé also served as District Director of the Eastern Missouri District Office in St. Louis.

Dubé, a Maine native and resident of Lewiston, served in the U.S. Army, military intelligence branch from 1968 to 1970, and retired from the US Coast Guard Reserves with the rank of Lieutenant in 1994. He graduated from St. Dominic High School in 1967. He is a 1973 graduate of Bates College, Lewiston, Maine.

In his new capacity as District Director, Dubé will be responsible for the administration of the SBA business loan portfolio, the approvals of SBA guarantee loans for start-up and expansion of businesses; the oversight of the Maine Small Business Development Center Network, a technical assistance provider, the coordination of Maine's SCORE chapters, a volunteer organization that provides free business counseling, and oversight of the Women's Business Center at Coastal Enterprises, Inc.

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"I look forward to building on the accomplishments of my predecessor Mary McAleney, who retired June 30th. I am very grateful to Mary and our former boss and friend, Charlie Summers, who recently left his position as the head of SBA for New England to serve with the U.S. Navy in Iraq, for their guidance and help over the years. I sincerely appreciate the confidence placed in me and the support of the members of our Congressional Delegation and their staff. I look forward to once again serve the people of Maine, my neighbors and friends," Dubé concluded.